

Illinois Conservation Police Bi-Weekly Report



Vision Statement: As vigilant guardians we will protect the citizens and natural resources of Illinois.

DATE: July 1, 2015

(Weeks of June 14 – June 28, 2015)

This report represents some events the OLE handled over the last couple of weeks; however, it does not include all actions taken by the Office of Law Enforcement.

REGION 1 – Captain Laura Petreikis

<u>District 1</u> – Sgt. T. Petreikis

(Counties: Carroll, Henry, JoDaviess, Lee, Mercer, Ogle, Rock Island, Stephenson & Whiteside)

CARROLL COUNTY

While conducting fishing license compliance checks, CPO Jones encountered a Savanna man who did not have his license in possession. While inquiring whether the subject had a license or not it was discovered the subject was wanted on a warrant out of Carroll County. The subject was issued written warnings for not having his fishing license in possession and failure to notify his change of address. He was arrested on his warrant and taken to Carroll County Jail for processing.

CPO Jones stopped a Carol Stream woman for failure to stop at a stop sign and failure to signal a turn at Mississippi Palisades State Park. When CPO Jones approached the vehicle she could smell the odor of burnt cannabis. The woman was arrested for possession of drug paraphernalia. She was cited for running the stop sign and was warned for failing to signal her turn.

CPO Jones investigated a personal injury boat accident that occurred on the Mississippi River Pool 13. The investigation is ongoing.

CPO Posateri inspected a pontoon boat coming into the Thomson boat ramp and a Lanark man was cited for possessing a 22 inch walleye which was in the protected slot limit.

HENRY COUNTY

CPO Posateri followed up on a complaint of a possible missing homeless guy from Geneseo. The man was found alive and well after he crashed his bike on the Hennepin Canal path.

JO DAVIESS COUNTY

CPO Hoogerwerf checked six kayakers as they prepared to launch from the banks of the swollen Apple River. None of the kayaks had the required water usage stamp and only one had a wearable personal flotation device. The young men were informed of the laws and directed to a commercial establishment at which they could purchase the required items.

MERCER COUNTY

CPO Francisko was on a joint boat patrol with the USCG (U. S. Coast Guard) on Mississippi River Pool 18 near Keithsburg when multiple boat safety inspections were conducted. Several written warnings for minor boating violations were issued. One citation was issued to a boat operator for a child not wearing a PFD while the boat was underway.

OGLE COUNTY

CPO Teas and CPO Beltran were on foot patrol in Lowden State Park when they observed five subjects possessing alcohol in a restricted area. Contact was made with the subjects which led to the discovery of several items of drug paraphernalia, bags of cannabis, and a bag of Psilocybin mushrooms. All five subjects were issued citations for possessing alcohol in a restricted area and two were arrested and transported to the Ogle County Jail for the drug charges.

CPO Teas arrested a subject for possession of cannabis and paraphernalia while on boat patrol on the Rock River.

Cannabis and drug paraphernalia were an absolute must according to an Oregon man while enjoying White Pines State Park. CPO Beltran and CPO Teas found it necessary to seize the illegal items and arrest the man for his violations.

ROCK ISLAND COUNTY

CPO Teas, while on boat patrol on the Mississippi River in Rock Island, cited a subject for a passenger under the age of 13 not wearing a PFD.

CPO Posateri attended River Spill training at the Rock Island Arsenal.

CPO Francisko initially responded to an emergency call at the Steel Dam in Milan. That response resulted in a driving while suspended arrest and a citation issued to an Iowa man for fishing without a non-resident fishing license. Approval for additional charges of "endangering the life of a child" (2 counts) was granted by the Rock Island County State's Attorney's Office. A warrant was issued for the Iowa man's arrest on June 18, 2015. Case is pending.

WHITESIDE COUNTY

While on patrol of the lower Rock River, CPO Palumbo checked a number of boats while enforcing the provisions of the Boat Registration and Safety Act and the Fish and Aquatic Life Code. During the course of the patrol a citation was written for fishing without a license and written warnings were issued for infractions of the boating laws.

District 6 - Sgt. Hank Frazier

(Counties: Boone, Bureau, DeKalb, LaSalle, Putnam & Winnebago)

BOONE COUNTY

CPO Alt was in marked uniform patrol checking fisherman in Candlewick Association Lake Development when he came upon three individuals at the main boat launch pier adjacent to the lodge and tennis courts. An inspection for fishing licenses revealed the two young men were fishing without fishing licenses. Citations were issued to each fisherman for the offense.

CPO Alt was in marked uniform patrol completing fishing and boating inspections in Candlewick Association Lake Development. CPO Alt completed a watercraft safety inspection to a pontoon carrying four adults and three children under the age of 13. The children were not wearing PFD's as required and the operator failed to have the lanyard cut-off tether attached while operating. Violations were addressed with the operator of the boat.

BUREAU COUNTY

CPO Finn was patrolling the Hennepin Canal when he observed five individuals fishing. After observing for several minutes it was determined all five fisherman were illegally snagging. CPO Finn approached and found three coolers full of Asian carp and catfish. All five fishermen were issued citations for illegally snagging fish.

DEKALB COUNTY

CPO Teas and Sgt. Frazier concluded a lengthy investigation involving a subject who had been in possession of a West African Gabon Viper and an American Alligator. Additionally, the subject had tried to sell the alligator to a subject who had just been charged for possession of venomous species. In all, the subject received charges for unlawful possession of venomous species, possession of American Alligator, unlawfully offering for American Alligator for sale, and for failure to submit endangered species reports as required.

LASALLE COUNTY

CPO Murry responded to a call at Matthiessen State Park in regards to a group of missing hikers during the middle of a severe thunderstorm and flash flood warning. CPO Murry located the missing hikers and with the assistance of local Fire Department got them to medical attention. Due to rapidly rising flood waters in the lower dells, a popular hiking spot at Matthiessen, CPO Murry attempted to make sure all remaining visitors were located and accounted for. Two vehicles remained in the parking lot, one of which had a female subject sitting inside. After knocking on the window to make contact with the occupant, a female subject opened the door. Upon opening the door, the CPO observed a strong odor of burnt cannabis emitting from the vehicle. While speaking to the female subject, she informed the CPO that three of her friends were still hiking in the lower dells and they were last seen walking towards the large waterfall. CPO Murry coordinated efforts with a local Fire Department to systematically search the park for the missing hikers. Due to the rapid rising flood waters, entry into the lower dells was now impossible. While making arrangements for a watercraft to be brought to that location, the missing hikers were located on a horse trail near Matthiessen Lake. CPO Murry returned to the vehicle where the female subject was and spoke to her and the "would be" driver about the cannabis. CPO Murry located multiple items of drug paraphernalia and a small amount of cannabis inside the vehicle. The female was charged with unlawful possession of cannabis and unlawful possession of drug paraphernalia.

CPO Wire patrolled the I & M Canal by ATV in order to check individuals fishing in a flooded area. He observed a female with a pole in the water and a male with four poles at his feet (none in the water). The male immediately stated that he was not fishing. The female stated that she had been but did not think she needed a fishing license. Further investigation showed that her fishing privilege was suspended for not paying child support. The male stated that she owed \$20,000 worth. The female was cited and the male was verbally warned about fishing without a license.

CPO Kaufman worked during the controlled chaos that was Father's Day weekend at Starved Rock State Park with two main parking lots closed due to flooding and ground conditions. On Saturday and Sunday, CPO Kaufman and park staff dealt with traffic control issues for several hours. On Sunday, CPO Kaufman found a camouflage painted Ford F-250 truck with a 6 inch lift kit and mudding tires parked in a handicap parking spot. CPO Kaufman looked for a handicap placard in the window, surprisingly it did not have a placard; a tow truck was called. While waiting for the tow truck, CPO Kaufman had to break up a loud verbal argument between a motorcyclist and car owner. The tow truck arrived and loaded the F-250 up. Just as the tow truck was getting ready to leave; a man in his early 20's approached CPO Kaufman and politely asked how he could get his truck back. He got his truck after paying the \$200 tow bill and receiving a citation.

Sgt. Frazier observed a subject hanging out the window of a moving car in Matthiessen State Park. Upon stopping the vehicle, the driver gave a false name and after the correct name was determined the driver was wanted by IDOC for a parole violation. He was charged with DUI, illegal transportation of alcohol, unlawful possession of drug paraphernalia,

cannabis, no valid driver's license, obstructing justice (felony), and the warrant. The passenger was charged with failure to wear a seatbelt and illegal transportation of alcohol.

WINNEBAGO COUNTY

CPO Fraser conducted traffic enforcement in Rock Cut State Park. Multiple citations and warnings were issued for speeding, failure to wear seatbelt, and other violations including no valid driver's license.

While conducting boat safety inspections at a boat ramp along the Rock River, CPO Fraser observed an unlabeled pill container in a boat cup holder. Further investigation uncovered that the bottle contained cannabis. The owner of the cannabis admitted it was his and also turned over a Chicago Bears helmet smoking bowl. The individual possessing the cannabis and paraphernalia was issued citations with a notice to appear and released with the designated sober operator.

While on foot patrol in Rock Cut State Park, CPO Fraser came across a group of girls in a known marijuana user hangout spot off the designated trail. Upon approaching the group, CPO Fraser noticed the distinct odor of cannabis. After initially denying possessing cannabis, one individual revealed she was in possession of the drug. A further search of the girl's bag revealed two glass smoking pipes. The girls had all been smoking marijuana and were unable to drive. The individual in possession of the cannabis and paraphernalia was issued citations and released with her friends to a sober driver who arrived on scene.

CPO Fraser responded to a camp site in Rock Cut State Park after receiving a complaint from a park employee about alcohol. As soon as CPO Fraser rounded the corner to the campground he observed a man lighting off fireworks from the front seat of his vehicle. Rock Cut State Park prohibits alcohol and fireworks in the park. Further investigation uncovered open alcohol in the vehicle, a revoked driver's license, a large amount of fireworks, and marijuana. The man's vehicle was towed and he was arrested and taken to Winnebago County Jail.

CPO Alt was requested by the Rockton Police Department for their annual Old Settler's Days, a four day carnival/concert event. CPO Alt assisted Rockton Police Officers with traffic control during their parade event featuring Rep. Dave Severson and led the 5K running race in the morning using the Department's marked police UTV.

CPO Alt responded to an injured hiker complaint at Rock Cut State Park in Winnebago County. CPO Alt met Loves Park Police Officers and Metro Ambulance personnel in the ravine at the base of Lone Rock. Lone Rock is a 30 ft tall limestone rock which is restricted to climbing. Once ambulance crews secured the hiker, CPO Alt, ambulance personnel and Loves Park Officers carried the hiker out of the ravine. A witness reported the injured male had climbed two sides of the rock face before falling to the base of the ravine. Alcohol was discovered at the scene and had been consumed by the climber prior to the fall. The injured hiker sustained a broken clavicle, bruised lung, and a broken wrist and forearm. The hiker also sustained several bruises and abrasions to his arms, torso and rear flank. Charges are pending for violations to the state park administrative rules which directly contributed to this fall.

CPO Alt was in marked uniform patrol on a sunny Sunday mid-afternoon in Rock Cut State Park. He noticed a silver minivan travel past him in the opposite direction with neither the driver nor front seat passenger wearing seatbelts as required. Upon stopping the minivan and during the face-to-face conversation with the driver, CPO Alt immediately noticed that both occupants had been consuming alcoholic beverage(s). The investigation revealed the driver to be under the influence of alcohol. CPO Alt arrested the driver for DUI. CPO Alt contacted CPO Fraser to assist in completing the tow inventory and arrangements for the passenger to get a ride home.

District 7, Sgt. Avery

(Counties: Fulton, Henderson, Knox, Marshall, McDonough, Peoria, Stark, Tazewell, Warren & Woodford)

HENDERSON COUNTY

CPO Reid investigated a report of a cougar sighting.

PEORIA COUNTY

CPO Lazzell conducted boat registration and safety compliance checks along Kickapoo Creek and at Spoon Lake in Knox County. Four citations for wearable lifejacket violations and ten written warnings for various boat safety equipment violations were issued.

TAZEWELL COUNTY

CPO VanZant received a complaint from an apartment complex manager. The manager was having trouble with people fishing without permission on their private property. After multiple patrols on the property, two subjects were cited for fishing without permission and not having valid sport fishing licenses.

REGION 2 – Captain Brett Scroggins

<u>District 2</u> – Sgt. Rich Riedel

(Counties: Kane, Lake & McHenry)

KANE COUNTY

CPO Davis and CPO Siedsma assisted a kayaker stuck in fast water on the Fox River in Saint Charles.

CPO Wagner issued a citation for fishing without valid sport fishing license.

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CPO Wagner issued a citation for hunting white tail deer without valid hunting license

LAKE COUNTY

CPO Winters issued two citations for children under 13 years of age not wearing PFD'S when required.

CPO Winters and CPO Schreiber conducted a boat patrol on Grass Lake and arrested a subject for operation of a watercraft under the influence of alcohol. Subject had .081 BAC.

CPO Winters issued multiple written warnings for failure to display orange flag while pulling a subject on a wakeboard, no water usage sticker, no fire extinguisher, and no type IV flotation device.

CPO winters issued a citation for unlawfully fishing without a sport fishing license.

CPO Davis issued two citations and ten written warnings for boating violations on the Fox River and Chain O' Lakes

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CPO Wagner issued a citation for towing skier without competent observer.

CPO Wagner issued a citation for failure to immediately release short fish (bass).

CPO Wagner issued a citation for fishing without valid sport fishing license.

CPO Semenik arrested a Buffalo Grove man for unlawful possession of walleye in the 18"-24" protected slot. The walleye in possession measured 19". When asked about the catch, the man stated "some guy" measured it and said I was good. CPO Semenik informed the man that he is responsible to know exactly what he is in possession of.

CPO Kelley and CPO Semenik were checking a backwater lake of the Des Plaines River in Lake County. While CPO Kelley was speaking with the fisherman, CPO Semenik discovered a 20" northern pike hidden under some scum at the shoreline near the fisherman. At first the fisherman denied catching the pike. After speaking with the subject for some time he confessed to catching the pike and even showed CPO Semenik pictures he took with his cell phone of the fish after he caught it. State law requires immediate release of northern pike under 24". The man was given a citation for the violation.

McHENRY COUNTY

CPO Davis issued a citation for a hunter purchasing a deer permit after the deer was taken.

CPO Kelley issued written warnings to individuals at Moraine Hills State Park for entering a restricted area.

CPO Kelley issued a citation to an individual at Moraine Hills State Park for fishing without a license.

CPO Kelley issued a citation to an individual at Lily Lake for operating a watercraft without having a lifejacket on a person under the age of 13. Several written warnings were also issued.

CPO Wagner issued citation for fishing without valid sport fishing license.

CPO Semenik arrested a man unlawfully fishing without consent of landowner at an abandoned property lake. There has been a standing complaint at this location for several years and there is strictly no trespassing. The man also did not have a current sport fishing license. The man stated that God owns all the lakes and he should be able to fish there.

<u>District 3</u> – Sgt. Mark Simon (Counties: Grundy, Kankakee, Kendall & Will)

All District 3 CPOs provided patrols to the District's flooded waterways, monitoring water levels and implementing and enforcing recreational boating closures on the Kankakee River, Illinois River and Mazon River.

GRUNDY COUNTY

CPO Wollgast was patrolling Heidecke Lake when severe weather approached. A subject and his wife and infant approached the launch and were advised that it was ill advised to launch a boat with current conditions. The subject left, only to return a short while later and launch his boat into the lake. Another storm was fast approaching so CPO Wollgast launched a boat to try to find and warn them of the approaching storm. The boat was located and the infant was found to not be secured in a personal flotation device as required. The subject was cited for the violation.

CPOs Anderson and Wollgast provided instruction at the DNR Academy for the new recruits for Turkey and Trapping Enforcement/Regulations.

CPO Wollgast was checking fishermen at Heidecke Lake when he checked four subjects that were adamantly claiming to be only "catch and release" fishermen and had bragged about several large walleyes they had caught and released. A check of their live well revealed an undersized walleye. A citation was issued for the violation.

CPO Mieure issued a written warning to a boat operator on Heidecke Lake for boating with an expired registration decal.

CPO Anderson is currently investigating two watercraft registration/title cases.

CPOs Anderson, Honiotes, Mieure, Vadbunker and Sgt. Simon responded to the severe weather event and tornado in Coal City and provided emergency assistance and looting patrol in the area.

KANKAKEE COUNTY

CPO Reid responded to a call with the ISP and Kankakee County Deputies regarding a possible sighting of the escaped fugitives at Kankakee River State Park along Rock Creek. The suspected persons were located and were not the missing fugitives. Both suspects had beer cans in their pockets and were intoxicated. Citations were issued for unlawful possession of alcohol in a prohibited area.

CPO Mieure attended Boat Accident Team training

CPO Vadbunker and K9 Toby conducted three K9 demonstrations and DNR presentations to Montessori classes from the Lincoln Cultural Center.

CPO Anderson and Vadbunker responded to a call of a boating accident on the Kankakee River near Momence. Three men in canoes were boating on the river that was closed due to severe flooding. One of the men attempted to canoe over the low head dam and capsized and was trapped in the boil of the dam. Rescue personnel were able to save the man and he was not injured. Citations were issued to each canoeist for unlawfully boating on a closed waterway.

Three subjects arrested by CPO Vadbunker for a variety of turkey hunting violations were adjudicated in court. The three subjects paid a combined total of \$8103 and all items seized as evidence were awarded to the DNR. Charges included hunting without a license, hunting without a permit, hunting without permission, unlawful transportation of uncased firearms, and failure to tag turkey immediately upon kill.

KENDALL COUNTY

CPO Bergland checked a subject fishing at Silver Springs State Park who did not have the required fishing license. In the process of issuing the citation it was determined that the subject did not have a valid driver's license and no one with the subject had a valid driver's license. A short while later CPO Bergland observed the subject driving a vehicle, so he stopped him and cited him for the violation and the vehicle was towed.

WILL COUNTY

CPO Reid conducted surveillance at a popular recreational spot along the DuPage River. He observed several individuals in floating rafts toss empty beer cans into the river, and fill other beer cans with water sinking them to the bottom of the river. Three individuals were cited for pollution of the waterway.

CPO Anderson attended two hunter safety classes.

CPO Reid was on patrol at a private rock quarry where he observed five individuals swimming and jumping from cliffs. He watched as several of the individuals tossed beer cans into the water and along the bank. Three citations for pollution of the waterway and five warnings for criminal trespass were issued.

CPO Reid and Honiotes observed two males in a side by side ATV on private property where a trespass complaint exists. The CPOs split up and were able to stop them for the violation. Both individuals had open cans of beer and were additionally observed operating on a public highway. Citations were issued for unlawful operation of ATV on an active railroad and on private property without permission. Warnings were issued for unlawful operation on a public highway and for illegal transportation of open alcohol.

CPO Honiotes followed up on the investigation of a dumping complaint in the Des Plaines Conservation Area. Inspection of the dump sites revealed the identities of two subjects, one of which was wanted on a Grundy County warrant. After admitting to the offense in an interview and removing all the debris from the park, both men were issued citations for littering. The wanted man was placed under arrest and booked into Grundy County jail for failure to appear on two counts of animal cruelty.

CPO Honiotes taught a boating safety class at the Exxon Mobil Training Station. The class was comprised of approximately 25 members of Mobil's Strike Response Team.

While patrolling the Des Plaines Conservation Area, CPO Honiotes stopped to investigate a vehicle illegally parked on the side of the road. While talking to a man sitting in the back seat of the vehicle, CPO Honiotes noticed a clean Busch Light beer can in the weeds. The man said his friends were out looking for arrowheads. After looking for the artifact hunters for a short while, CPO Honiotes re-approached the vehicle and noticed three additional Busch Light beer cans in the weeds that were not there before. After admitting to littering and cleaning up the mess, the man was issued a citation for unlawful littering in a state park and a written warning for possession of alcohol in a state park. The man's beer was seized and destroyed. The man's friends were verbally warned for unlawful parking and unlawful artifact hunting on state property.

CPO Reid was patrolling a private body of water where no trespassing is posted around its borders. A male subject was observed fishing along the bank and later observed operating a vehicle. The man drove over to the CPO and asked if it was okay to fish there. A check of his driver's license revealed he was suspended. He was subsequently cited for driving while suspended and warned for the fishing violation.

CPO Reid was on patrol checking a private body of water where a trespass agreement exists. He discovered a vehicle parked a few feet away from a sign that read "NO: Trespassing, fishing, or hunting." He made contact with a man fishing the pond who stated he knew he was not supposed to be there, but did not expect to see a CPO patrolling there. A citation for fishing without permission was issued.

CPO Reid was working the DuPage River in Channahon when he observed three males standing in the middle of a bridge obstructing vehicle traffic. One of the males was drinking a beer and was underage; and was wanted on a valid arrest warrant. He was subsequently arrested and booked for the warrant and was cited for unlawful possession of alcohol by a minor.

<u>District 4</u> – Sgt. Bill Shannon (Counties: Cook & DuPage)

Nothing reported for this period.

REGION 3 – Captain Jim Mayes

District 11 – Sgt. Brian McReynolds

(Counties: Clark, Coles, Cumberland, Douglas, Edgar, Moultrie & Shelby)

COLES COUNTY

CPO Lee attended a Boat Accident Team refresher training at the Athens Fire Department.

DOUGLAS COUNTY

CPO Mueller attended a court appearance in Cook County for a defendant in the Wired Arrow case. The subject pleaded guilty and was ordered to pay \$1,000.00

EDGAR COUNTY

CPO Mueller responded to an injured eagle in Paris. CPO Mueller located an injured Red Tail Hawk and transported it to the U of I Vet Clinic in Champaign for treatment.

MOULTRIE COUNTY

CPO Barnes and CPO Mueller were on boat patrol on Lake Shelbyville when they saw a boat being operated erratically. A boat stop revealed the operator, a Kankakee man, was operating under the influence of alcohol. The man failed sobriety tests and refused to submit a breath sample. He was arrested and given a mandatory court date. He was given notice of a 2 year boating suspension for refusing the breath test.

CPO Barnes and CPO Mueller were on boat patrol on Lake Shelbyville when they received a report of a possible boat accident. Upon arriving in the area reported, they located an overturned boat near shore along with a Jet Ski and numerous boating items on shore. After determining no one was in the water they gathered information for a future follow up.

CPO Mueller located the current owner of an abandoned capsized vessel on Lake Shelbyville. The Sullivan man was issued citations for: operating a boat without certificate of title, failure to transfer certificate of number and pollution of a waterway. He was issued written warnings for: abandoning a watercraft and failure to report a boat accident. Charges are pending on a Macon County subject for selling a boat without a certificate of title.

CPO Moody conducted a Boat Registration and Title Inspection for a Sullivan man having difficulty with registering his watercraft.

SHELBY COUNTY

CPO Greuel and CPO Mueller, while on boat patrol on Lake Shelbyville, arrested a Sullivan man for operating a watercraft under the influence of alcohol. The man failed sobriety tests and had a blood alcohol content of .113. Sgt. McReynolds transported the subject to the Shelby County Jail.

CPO Greuel and Intern conducted a boat title and registration inspection for a Decatur man on his boat located on Lake Pana.

<u>District 19</u> – Sgt. John Williamson

(Counties: Champaign, DeWitt, Ford, Iroquois, Livingston, Macon, McLean, Piatt & Vermilion)

DEWITT

CPO Schultz and CPO Reeves were on a boat patrol at Clinton Lake. While docked at the marina, CPO Schultz noticed a boat enter into the marina no wake zone at a speed causing a large wake. During the compliance check CPO Schultz could smell a strong odor of alcohol coming from the operator and noticed he was having difficulty balancing. Subsequent SFST's found the subject to be operating under the influence at twice the legal limit. The subjects BAC was .166. Citations were issued for OUI and written warnings for the equipment violations.

CPO Reeves arrested a Tolono man for operation of a watercraft under the influence of alcohol. The arrest occurred on Clinton Lake near the marina. The man submitted a breath sample which indicated he had a BAC of .153. He will have a court date in July at the Dewitt County Courthouse.

CPO Reeves arrested a Monticello man for operation of a watercraft under the influence of alcohol. The arrest occurred on Clinton Lake near the marina. The man submitted a breath sample which indicated he had a BAC of .105. He will have a court date in August at the Dewitt County Courthouse.

CPO Reeves arrested a Mahomet man for operation of a watercraft under the influence of alcohol. The arrest occurred on Clinton Lake near the marina. The man submitted a breath sample which indicated he had a BAC of .189. He will have a court date in August at the Dewitt County Courthouse.

CPO Cottrell arrested a DeWitt County man for operation of a watercraft while under the influence of alcohol. The arrest occurred on Clinton Lake near the dam. The man submitted a breath a sample which indicated he had a BAC of .104. He will have a court date in August at the DeWitt County Courthouse.

Sgt. Williamson attended an after action meeting at the Waynesville Fire Department after two different groups of tubers were stranded on Kickapoo Creek. Sgt. Williamson is working with Dewitt County Sheriff's Department, DeWitt County IEMA, and the Waynesville Fire Department on coming up with an action plan for these situations.

MACON COUNTY

CPO Wright was working with the Decatur Lake Patrol during a Lake Decatur poker run when they observed a boat violating a no wake zone. During the check CPO Wright noticed a strong smell of an alcoholic beverage. The Decatur resident failed the field sobriety tests and refused to give a breath sample. The subject was arrested for operation under the influence of alcohol.

CPO Wright patrolled Lake Decatur for both boat and fish enforcement. Numerous violations were observed. A total of four written warnings and four citations were issued for boating and fishing violations.

McLEAN COUNTY

CPO Viverito worked with Lake Bloomington Lake Patrol because of constant complaints of boating violations. CPO Viverito stopped a boat that had expired registration. As he began to speak with the operator, the operator informed him that his father was on the Lake Bloomington Board of Directors. After speaking with the operator further he noticed a strong smell of an alcoholic beverage. After FST's the operator was arrested for OUI and refused a breath test.

CPO Viverito wrote numerous citations while working on Lake Bloomington. Registration violations, life jacket violations, and operation violations were all noted during the patrol.

VERMILION COUNTY

CPO Cottrell and CPO Schultz assisted on keeping up to date on Vermilion River water stages over the last two weeks. They have had to open and close the river multiple times with the fluctuating river heights.

TRAINING: CPO Wright attended a week long defensive tactics instructor school in Springfield.

CPO Reeves attended Marine Sonic sonar training at Carlyle Lake on June 23 & 24, 2015. The Marine Sonic sonar equipment is vital in drowning/boat accident victim search and recovery as well as homeland security purposes.

REGION 4 – Captain Jamie Maul

District 9 – Sgt. Mark Wagner

(Counties: Adams, Brown, Calhoun, Greene, Hancock, Jersey, Macoupin, Pike & Schuyler)

CALHOUN COUNTY

CPO Goetten conducted an investigation into the Georgia owner of a company called 8up With It Outdoors after suspecting him of taking an antlered deer in Illinois without an either sex deer permit. During the investigation, the subject was also caught turkey hunting on property without permission by the Georgia DNR. With the assistance of the Georgia officers, the investigation revealed the subject and two of his associates harvested Illinois bucks while only in possession of antlerless only permits. Additionally, the main subject was determined to have provided outfitter services in Illinois without an outfitter license. He was charged with four unlawful counts pertaining to his illegal activity in Calhoun County. Charges against his two associates are pending. The three bucks were seized.

CPO Goetten, with the assistance of several Illinois CPOs and other out of state agencies, conducted a six month long investigation into an Illinois resident outfitting while his wildlife privileges are revoked. Charges were filed in Calhoun County for outfitting while revoked and without a license. Additional charges are pending in several other venues.

JERSEY COUNTY

CPO Goetten stopped a vehicle for speeding at Pere Marquette State Park. The driver had a suspended license. He was arrested and transported to the Jersey County Jail.

CPO Goetten observed a man and his girlfriend fishing at Piasa Harbor. During a check of their fishing licenses, they were found to be in possession of drug paraphernalia and cannabis. Both admitted to smoking cannabis that evening. The female was 7-8 months pregnant. The male subject was arrested and taken to the Jersey County Jail. CPO Goetten notified the Department of Child and Family Services regarding the pregnant woman endangering the well-being of her unborn child.

While searching a vehicle for additional contraband on the above incident, a boat was observed approaching the boat launch nearby. From a distance, the operator's speech was loud and clearly slurred. CPO Goetten approached the boat and observed the registration to be expired. The operator showed signs of alcohol impairment and failed field sobriety test. He was arrested for OUI and transported to the Jersey County Jail. The OUI subject had a BAC of .118%.

NOTE: Several CPO's have been assisting in flood operations at Grafton for the past week. Daily duties include relaying Correction Officers to the youth facility. We also assisted a couple of subjects in moving from their residences. Several abandoned boats have been towed in and owners located.

CPO Goetten, during flood duty, responded with EMS by boat to a subject's residence that was having a heart attack. The subject's residence is not accessible by road. The subject was transported by boat to the ambulance. The subject is in the hospital and a full recovery is expected.

CPO Gushleff, during the flood, completed a crash report after the subject attempted to drive through the water.

<u>District 10</u> – Sgt. Chris Stone

(Counties: Cass, Christian, Logan, Mason, Morgan, Sangamon & Scott)

Nothing reported for this period.

District 13 – Sgt. Eric Manker

(Counties: Bond, Clinton, Madison, Monroe, Montgomery, Randolph, St. Clair & Washington)

BOND COUNTY

CPO Liebl was contacted by the Bond County Sheriff's Office in reference to a dead bald eagle that was found alongside the roadway. It appeared as though the eagle had been struck by a vehicle. CPO Liebl took possession of the eagle and contacted U.S. Fish and Wildlife. Arrangements were made to turn the eagle over to U.S. Fish and Wildlife Agents.

CLINTON COUNTY

CPO Tapley has continued investigating a serious personal injury accident at Carlyle Lake.

CPO Tapley investigated an incident in which a woman slipped off of the back deck of a boat at Carlyle Lake and cut her foot on the propeller of the boat. The boat was not running at the time. She was treated at a local hospital for her injury and released.

CPO Tapley made a traffic stop on a vehicle in Carlyle after learning the male registered owner had a revoked driver's license. The driver was found to have open alcohol in the vehicle also. He was arrested and taken to the Clinton County Jail.

CPO Tapley was driving westbound on Rte 50 when a car came from behind and passed him at approximately 70 mph. The vehicle was stopped for speeding and the driver was found to have a revoked driver's license out of Missouri. The driver was arrested and taken to the Clinton County Jail.

CPO Tapley was called out on his day off to assist the Clinton County Sheriff's Department with a report of a person who had jumped off of the Rte 127 bridge into the Kaskaskia River. A surface search was conducted along with CPO Lentz that evening with no results. The next day, CPO Tapley and CPO Liebl used side scan sonar in attempts to locate the person, again with no result. As of this reporting date, no missing person's report has been made and no other information has been gained about the jumper. The Clinton County Sheriff's Department is the primary investigating agency.

CPO Ray completed a Boat Accident Report on a juvenile receiving a lacerated left ring finger with contusions requiring stiches. The juvenile reached over the bow of the watercraft and grabbed a metal cleat on the boat dock. The bow of the watercraft rocked down smashing the juvenile's finger between the cleat and the watercraft.

JERSEY COUNTY

CPO Ray and CPO Gushleff worked Mississippi River Flood Duty in Grafton assisting local and county police with emergency response. Pere Marquette Corrections Officers were safely transported to and from their facility by watercraft.

MADISON COUNTY

CPO French initiated a traffic stop near Hamel on a vehicle that had crossed the fog line three times and was traveling nearly 20 mph under the posted speed limit. CPO French approached the male driver and detected the strong odor of alcohol emanating from his breath and had difficulty focusing on simple tasks. Field sobriety tests were conducted and the subject was arrested for driving while under the influence of alcohol. Subsequent breath test resulted in a reading of .108 when the statutory limit is .08. Multiple citations were issued.

ST. CLAIR COUNTY

CPO French and CPO Rolfingsmeier initiated a stop on a vehicle in Frank Holten State Park for being in the park after hours. CPO French interviewed the driver and passenger and detected a strong odor of cannabis emanating out of the vehicle. Both the male passenger and female driver admitted to smoking cannabis within the last hour. A subsequent search of the vehicle ended with the male passenger being cited for cannabis possession when a baggie of cannabis was found. Both subjects were cited for being in the park after hours.

CPO French was checking fishermen in Madison County when he came upon a Belleville man fishing. The subject had a fishing license in his possession but no identification. When CPO French inquired into the man's date of birth, the subject could not remember. A subsequent investigation ensued and the individual was eventually identified, but not as the fishing license holder. The subject admitted to purchasing the fishing license under the assumed name for five years because he was suspended for child support and could not buy a fishing license. The subjected stated the name of the fishing license holder was his son's. The individual had had run-ins with numerous CPOs over the past five years and had been cited before. CPO French cited the individual for falsifying a fishing license, obstruction of identification and fishing without a valid fishing license.

CPO French and CPO Rolfingsmeier initiated a stop on vehicle in Frank Holten State Park for speeding. The Cahokia female driver was suspended and her registration was expired. She was issued several citations related to the stop.

CPO Ray arrested a subject for driving over the posted speed limit and driving on a suspended license at Frank Holten State Park.

CPO Ray and CPO French issued written warning to a subject for possession of alcohol in a restricted area at Frank Holten State Park. The subject was taken to St. Clair County Jail on an active Jackson County warrant for failure to appear (FTA).

REGION 5 – Captain Tim Daiber

District 14 - Sgt. Jeff Cariens

(Counties: Franklin, Gallatin, Hamilton, Hardin, Jefferson, Pope, Saline, White)

FRANKLIN COUNTY

CPO Jourdan attended a hunter safety class at the Rend Lake Visitor's Center.

CPOs Lay and Williams investigated a roadside dump site near Christopher in which the Township Highway and Railroad had recently cleaned up. A truck load of roofing had been dumped at the site. Information obtained from the refuse at

the site was used to track down the subject who dumped the roofing. CPOs obtained a confession and the subject was cited.

CPOs Jourdan, Williams and Sgt. Cariens investigated a complaint of an illegal fishing tournament at Rend Lake. The investigation identified two individuals who had organized the tournament. The subjects were educated about the need for a Fishing Tournament Permit from DNR Fisheries and cited for conducting a tournament without a permit.

CPO Williams completed a random commercial inspection of a subject licensed as a taxidermist.

CPO Lay conducted a boat investigation. A boat brought in to the Rend Lake Marina for service was found to have been one that had gone missing/stolen back in 1999 but had never been reported as such. Due to the time frame involved and interviews completed it is unknown who had stolen the boat. The report will be reviewed by the State's Attorney's office.

CPO Lay made a public appearance at the Benton/West City Walmart. A boat was on display in front of the store, with a Q and A about boat safety and various other topics. Due to the weather it became an indoor event at the sporting goods area.

HAMILTON COUNTY

CPO Folden completed an online investigation which revealed two South Carolina subjects hunted and harvested deer in Hamilton County during the archery and firearm seasons without purchasing non-resident hunting licenses as required. Each subject received a citation for hunting without a non-resident hunting license.

CPO Folden investigated an anonymous complaint of a Hamilton County resident harvesting frogs before season. CPO Folden conducted an online investigation which revealed photographs of frogs illegally harvested. CPO Folden located the subject who admitted he and his younger brother did harvest the frogs illegally four days before season. A citation was issued under 510 ILCS 68 (Herp Code) for unlawfully taking frogs during a closed season.

JEFFERSON COUNTY

Sgt. Cariens cited a female at the Bonnie Dam Access Area for driving off the road in a state area and fishing without a sport fishing license. The truck was driven around the parking lot, up a ditch and onto the Bonnie Dam.

Sgt. Cariens is investigating a criminal damage to government supported property at the Ten Mile Creek Eads Unit. Several windows to a piece of heavy equipment were damaged.

SALINE COUNTY

CPO Jourdan investigated a burglary at Saline County Fish & Wildlife Area. The park office was broken into and forced entry was made into a locked storage room. A small amount of cash was taken. Evidence was collected and the burglary is under investigation.

CPO Diggins is conducting a timber audit. He is contacting several land owners during the investigation.

CPO Diggins received a disposition on an OUI case dating back to 2011. The operator pleaded guilty and was fined \$1540.00 for operating a watercraft under the influence.

TRAINING: CPO Folden instructed Article 1, Small Game, and Illegal Methods from the Wildlife Code to the IDNR Recruits in Springfield.

CPO Schoenhoff continues as a recruit advisor for the IDNR Conservation Police Academy.

CPO Johnson instructed portions of the Wildlife Code to recruits at the Academy.

<u>District 15</u> – Sgt. Dave Hyatt

(Counties: Clay, Crawford, Edwards, Effingham, Fayette, Jasper, Lawrence, Marion, Richland, Wabash & Wayne)

EFFINGHAM COUNTY

CPO Holland was on patrol conducting fishing license compliance checks with anglers at the Edgewood American Legion Lake. CPO Holland encountered a male subject who obstructed his identity by giving a false name and, unbeknownst to CPO Holland, had a warrant for his arrest. The subject fled on foot from the scene. CPO Holland spoke with a second subject at the scene (brother of subject) who also obstructed CPO Holland regarding his brother's identity and his whereabouts. CPO Holland requested assistance from the Illinois State Police and the Effingham County Sheriff's Office. The first subject was located and both subjects were arrested for numerous violations.

JASPER COUNTY

Sgt. Hyatt assisted the Jasper County Sheriff's Office in the execution of a search warrant in Richland County. Recovered at the residence was a computer belonging to the IDNR which was stolen from a biologist. The owner of the residence had two loaded firearms within arm's reach, hidden under pillows on the bed he was sitting on. Cannabis, drug paraphernalia and a video surveillance system were in plain view and a second warrant was obtained by Richland County Police.

MARION COUNTY

CPO Holland was on patrol at S.A. Forbes State Park. While on patrol, CPO Holland conducted a 10-18 computer search of a license plate on a vehicle parked at the beach parking lot. CPO Holland learned the vehicle registration was suspended for a mandatory insurance violation. CPO Holland cited the owner/operator of the vehicle and had the vehicle towed from the park.

WAYNE COUNTY

CPO Holland was on patrol at Sam Dale State Park. While on patrol, CPO Holland observed a male subject operating a passenger car enter the Persimmon picnic area. CPO Holland spoke with the subject who stated he was going fishing. CPO Holland conducted a fishing license compliance check and learned the subject's driver's license was suspended. Further investigation lead CPO Holland to learn the subject had no insurance and was in possession of open alcohol. The subject was taken into custody, charged and transported to the Wayne County Sheriff's Office where he was left awaiting bond.

<u>District 16</u> – Sgt. Kris Taylor

(Counties: Alexander, Jackson, Johnson, Massac, Perry, Pulaski, Union & Williamson)

Nothing reported for this period.